

Spokane Human Rights Commission August 5, 2021

Meeting Minutes: Called to order at 5:31

Land Acknowledgment

Public Comment: Mercy Aguilar, white supremacist are trying to recruit houseless people, and they're talking about guns and praying on our houseless individuals.

Commission Briefing Session:

Commission Members Present: Lance Kissler, Hayley Harrison, Anwar Peace, Jac Archer, Brennan Schreiber, Abigail Baker, Council Member Liaison Wilkerson.

Commission Member Not Present: Moore

Community Members Present: Alex Gibilisco,

May Minutes approved

Discussion Items

1. Chair reports attached to the meeting packet
 - a. Reappointment process for Commissioner Archer has been started
 - b. Invite Treasure State Values
2. Budget report
 - a. Unity in the community August 21st
 - i. Would we like to have a booth? Cost is \$100
 - ii. Volunteers, Commissioners Anwar, Harrison, Baker
 - iii. Motion to booth at Unity in the Community, and potentially partner with the county task force.
 - iv. Motion passed
 - b. Interview for two at large positions
 - i. Michael Thorp
 - ii. Justice Forral
 - iii. Olivia Arballo-Saenz
 - iv. Alex Knox – had to leave the meeting early and is sending material to Chair Kissler and he will forward it to commissioners
 - v. Chair Kissler will forward information of previous pool of candidates to be included in commissioners recommendations.
3. Consider of Resolution re: Spokane County Sheriff, draft (C)
 - a. Conversation
 - i. Changes suggested
 1. "civic dialogue" to dialogue
 2. Add names of commissioners to resolution
 - ii. Motion to pass the resolution as amended
 1. Commissioner Pease abstains

2. Commissioner Schreibman, CM Wilkerson, Commissioner Archer, Harrison, Baker, Chair Kissler
 3. Motion carries with one abstention
4. Office of Civil Rights Exploratory Task Force & Civil Rights
 - a. Were not able to move forward with a candidate
 - b. Met with City leadership to determine new approach
 - c. New approach, repost the position to focus on Civil Rights
5. Courageous Conversation
 - a. Alex Gibilisco and CM Wilkerson can work with City resources to make it successful
 - b. Topic – Office of Civil Rights
6. Subcommittees, opportunity for commissioners to be more involved
 - a. Outreach – engage community, and communicate
 - b. Civic impact subcommittee
 - c. Sustainability subcommittee
 - d. Alex and Lance will connect on potential IT needs
7. Chair and Commissioner Harrison will work on a statement to respond to Sheriff's message

The Next Human Rights Commission Meeting scheduled Thursday, September 2, 2021 at 5:30pm.
Meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm.